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## CONTINUED PROSECUTION APPLICATION (CPA) UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(d)

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This is a request for filing a continuation application under 37 CFR § 1.53(d) of prior application Serial No. 09/259,849, filed on March 1, 1999, entitled CONDUCTIVE STRUCTURES IN INTEGRATED CIRCUITS.

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The above-identified prior application in which no abandonment of, or termination of, proceedings has occurred, is hereby expressly abandoned as of the filing date of this request for a CPA. Please use all the contents of the prior application file wrapper, including the drawings, as the basic papers for the new application. (37 CFR 1.53(b) must be used for continuation-in-part applications or for applications where the prior application is not to be abandoned.)

- 1. X Enter the amendment previously filed on <u>January 15, 2002</u> under 37 CFR 1.116, but unentered, in the prior application.
- 2. A Preliminary Amendment ( pages) is enclosed.
- 3. \_\_ This application is filed by fewer than all the inventors named in the prior application, 37 CFR 1.53(d)(4).
  - a. \_\_ DELETE the following inventor(s) named in the prior nonprovisional application:
  - b. \_\_ The inventor(s) to be deleted are set forth on a separate sheet attached hereto.
- 4. \_\_ A new power of attorney is enclosed.
- 5. Information Disclosure Statement is enclosed.
  - a. \_\_ Form(s) 1449
  - b. \_\_ Copies of IDS Citations

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The filing has is calculated below on the basis of the claims existing in the prior application as amended at 1 and 2 on the previous page:

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TOTAL CLAIMS	77 - 20 =	57	x 18 =	\$1,026.00
INDEPENDENT CLAIMS	16 - 3 =	13	x 84 =	\$1,092.00
[ ] MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CL	\$0.00			
BASIC FEE				\$740.00
	\$2,858.00			

6.	Small	Entity	Status:

- a. \_\_ A small entity statement is enclosed.
- b. \_\_ A small entity statement was filed in the prior nonprovisional application and such status is still proper and desired.
- c. \_\_ Is no longer claimed.
- 7. X A check in the amount of \$2,858.00 is attached to pay the filing fee.
- 8. X The Commissioner is hereby authorized to credit overpayments or charge any fees set forth in 37 CFR 1.16 through 1.18 to Deposit Account No. 19-0743.
- 9. X A petition for extension of time in the prior application is enclosed along with a check in the amount of \$110.00 to pay the extension fee.

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